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## **SHOCK-WAVE THERAPY APPLICATION IN CLINICAL PRACTICE (REVIEW).**

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#### **Abstract**

The article presents literature review on the use of extracorporeal **shock-wave therapy** in physiotherapeutic practice. The basic mechanisms of **shock** waves influence on the organism are spotlighted. Studies proving high efficacy of the method in treatment of wide variety of inflammatory diseases and traumatic genesis are presented. The data on comparative assessment of **shock-wave therapy** efficacy, and results of researches on possibility of extracorporeal **shock-wave therapy** effect potentiating in combination with other therapeutic methods are reflected. Recent years, the range of indications for **shock-wave therapy** application had been significantly widened. However, further study of the method is still relevant because mechanisms of action of the factor are studied insufficiently; methods of **therapy** parameters selection (energy flux density, number of pulses per treatment, duration of a course) are either advisory or empirical.

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